IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

GIULIO BETTI ET AL

U.S. Serial No. 10/534,914

Group Art Unit 3654

Filed: May 13, 2005

Confirmation No. 6908

UNWINDING DEVICE FOR REELS OF WEB MATERIAL WITH DUAL DRIVE MECHANISM AND RELATIVE UNWINDING METHOD

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a preliminary amendment / a response in the above-identified application.

No additional fee is required. An additional fee is required as calculated below -

	Claims Remaining	Highest No.		Small Entity	Other Than A Small Entity
	After	Previously	Present	Addnl.	Addnl.
	Amendment	Paid For	Extra	Rate Fee	<u>Rate Fee</u>
Total	37	Minus * 40	0	x \$ 25 \$	x\$ 50 \$ <u>0.00</u>
Indep	02	Minus * <u>03</u>	0	x \$100 \$	x\$200 \$ <u>0.00</u>
First	Presentation of	Mul Dep Claim		x \$180 \$	x\$360 \$

Total Additional Fee.....\$ .....\$ 0.00

- \* The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number of claims filed originally or highest number found from equivalent box of a prior amendment.
- X This response is being filed within the period for response.
- Applicant(s) hereby petition for an extension from the date of the Examiner's Action as follows:

First-Month Extension		
Second-Month Extension	\$ 225.00 /	\$ 450.00
 Third-Month Extension	\$ 510.00 /	\$1020.00

Small entity status of this application has been established.

A Check in the amount of  $\frac{0.00}{}$  is attached hereto. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-3690 of the undersigned attorney. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: November 21, 2005 (703) 684-6885

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

The present application is the National phase filing based on International Application No.

PCT/IT2002/000721 filed November 13, 2002. Prior to action by the Examiner in the captioned application, please amend the application as set forth below.